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IN UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

CHERYL SANLIN,

Plaintiff,

Cause No. 3:20-cv-06138-DGE

vs.

DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR SHOW  
CAUSE ORDER

Defendant.

Noting Date: August 26, 2022

16 **I. INTRODUCTION AND RELIEF REQUESTED**

17 In light of Plaintiff Cheryl Sanlin's willingness to dismiss her case against Defendant  
18 Central Kitsap School District ("CKSD") and her counsel's (Kristi Pimpleton) failure to  
19 communicate with CKSD, CKSD requests that the Court order Ms. Pimpleton to show cause  
20 why this case should not be dismissed.

22 **II. FACTUAL BASIS FOR MOTION**

24 On June 16, 2022, CKSD filed a Motion to Compel requesting the Court order Ms.  
25 Sanlin to appear for a deposition. *ECF 22*. The Court granted CKSD's Motion to Compel on  
26 July 29, 2022 and ordered Ms. Sanlin to appear for a deposition on August 15, 2022. *ECF 27*.

28 Ms. Sanlin sent Ms. Pimpleton an email on August 9, 2022 stating "You must reach  
29 out to the Central Kitsap School District, lawyers regarding my legal termination from your  
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1 office, as well as informing them that the lawsuit has been dropped.” *Declaration of Michael*  
2 *E. McFarland, Jr.*, ¶ 3. On August 10, 2022, Defendant reached out to Ms. Pimpleton and  
3 stated:  
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5 Your failure to communicate with my office, and  
6 apparently your client, is resulting in what appears to be  
7 unnecessary costs and fees to my client. It appears from  
8 Ms. Sanlin’s below email that she does not intend to move  
9 forward with this case. I do not want my client to incur the  
10 time and expense of preparing for a deposition Monday  
11 only to have Ms. Sanlin tell me at that time that she does  
12 not want to move forward with her case. Therefore, I am  
13 going to submit the below email, and this email, to the  
14 Court and ask that the Court issue an order to show cause  
15 why this case should not be dismissed. In the interim, I am  
not moving forward with the deposition on Monday, in part  
because I do not want my client to incur unnecessary costs  
and fees and in part because I do not want to force Ms.  
Sanlin to appear for a deposition in a case she apparently  
does not want to pursue.

16 *Id.* at ¶ 4.

17 Later on August 10, 2022, Ms. Sanlin responded to the above email, stating “Mr.  
18 McFarland, Thank you for your response and for taking care of this matter.” *Id.* at ¶ 5. Ms.  
19 Pimpleton has not responded to any of the above-referenced emails. *Id.* at ¶ 6.

21 **III. ARGUMENT**

22 Given the above communication between Ms. Sanlin and her representation, it is clear  
23 that Ms. Sanlin does not want to move forward with this lawsuit. However, Ms. Pimpleton has  
24 not communicated with CKSD regarding dismissing this matter, which will result in  
25 unnecessary costs and fees to CKSD. Thus, the Court should order Ms. Pimpleton to show  
26 cause why this case should not be dismissed.  
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#### IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, CKSD requests that the Court enter an order directing Ms. Pimpleton to show cause why this lawsuit should not be dismissed.

DATED this 11th day of August, 2022.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on August 11, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF System which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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